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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING ON-LINE WELLNESS AND
RETAIL ACCESS THROUGH A DISTRIBUTED NETWORK

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To: Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 28, 2002, please amend the above-captioned patent application as noted. A VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE is attached as an appendix hereto in which deletions are designated by brackets and insertions of new language are underlined.

IN THE CLAIMS:

The Claims as amended are as follows:

81. (Amended) A method of providing wellness-related services, including at least one of wellness, health, or fitness services through a publicly accessible distributed network to authorized users using authorized portals, comprising: